

WASHINGTON, DC – On Monday, March 23, 2009, Congressman Robert C. “Bobby” Scott received the Distinguished Education Ally in the House award from the United States Students Association. As a Member of the Education and Labor Committee, Rep. Scott has been a leader in the House on many education initiatives.

The United States Students Association (USSA) is the country's oldest and largest national student-led organization. It develops current and future leaders and amplifies the student voice at the local, state, and national levels by mobilizing grassroots power to win concrete victories on student issues. USSA believes that education is a right and should be accessible for any student regardless of their socio-economic background and identity.

“I am honored to have been recognized as a Distinguished Education Ally in the House by the United States Students Association,” commented Rep. Scott. “I look forward to working with the United States Student Association in the future to ensure that every American child have the opportunity to go to college.”

Scott record on education issues:

- **21st Century G.I. Bill of Rights**, original House sponsor of Senator Webb's G.I. Bill of Rights for 21st century, the largest increase in education benefits since World War II, bill was signed into law on June 30, 2008.
- **Leader in several Education bills** which significantly increased Pell Grants, lowering student loan interest rates, and eliminated the Absolute Priority conditions imposed Upward Bound program
- **CAMPUS Safety Act**, Chief sponsor, bill passed 110th & 111th Congress by the House of Representatives, now awaiting action in the Senate
- **Youth PROMISE Act**, to promote prevention and early intervention initiatives to reduce youth violence
- **Lead Sponsor of Modeling and Simulation Higher Education Grant Act**, signed into

law as a part of the Higher Education Act